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## REMARKS

Entry of the amendment and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. Claims 2-8, and 12-15 are pending. Claim 15 has been amended as recommended by the Examiner in a telephone call on April 16, 2002. Support for these claims is found in the claims as originally filed, and throughout the specification. No new matter has been added.

The marked up version of these amendments is found on a separate sheet attached to this amendment and titled "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made." It is respectfully requested that the amendments be entered.

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## **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

The Applicants have used underlining to denote additions to the original text and square brackets [ ] to denote deletions of the original text.

## In the Claims:

Claim 15 has been amended as follows:

15. (Amended) A polynucleotide comprising at least 30 contiguous nucleotides from a polynucleotide of [claim 12] <u>SEQ ID NO: 1</u>.